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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97, Applicant hereby makes of record the following additional documents. A PTO Form SB/08 and a full copy of each of these documents accompany this statement.

Applicant has become aware of the following documents, cited in an International Search Report issued November 29, 2002, during the prosecution of international application no. PCT/US02/26621, which corresponds to the above referenced application, and in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(c) and (e)(1) or (b)(3), hereby submit these documents for the Examiner's consideration. These documents are cited on the enclosed PTO Form SB/08, and a copy of the International Search Report and each document cited thereon are enclosed as well.

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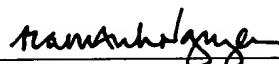
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